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Re: Executive Compensation Disclosure

This letter will attest that the Board of Governors is aware of all information disclosed in the University of Northern British Columbia's Executive Compensation Disclosure and that the information is accurate and includes all compensation paid by the employer, foundations, subsidiaries, or any other organization related to or associated with the employer. The disclosed information includes the values of any pre-or-post-employment payments made during the 12 month period before and after employment and that the compensation was paid within approved compensation plans.

Thank you,

Catherine Wishart

Chair, UNBC Board of Governors



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Compensation Philosophy

The Board's compensation decisions reflect the challenges associated with attracting and retaining exemplary administrative leaders to the north in a competitive national and international environment. Responsibility for determining compensation for the President and Senior Executives rests with the Human Resources Committee of the Board. For positions other than the President's, the Board will consider recommendations made by the President.

With Board of Governor and Executive oversight and approval, the Compensation Philosophy of the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC) ensures alignment in a manner consistent with the province's Taxpayer Accountability Principles (TAP) in promoting accountability and cost control. UNBC's excluded compensation is controlled and mandated by the province, through the Public Sector Employers' Act.

The following, and attached *Terms and Conditions of Employment* outline the broad approach with respect to compensation policy at UNBC.

Core Principles:

For all management employees, the following Core Principals embodies UNBC's approach for compensation. These principles guide the design, implementation and administration of UNBC's Compensation Philosophy:

- Differentiation: Differentiation of salary is supported where there are differences in the scope of the position within an organization, and/or due to superior individual or team contributions.
- Performance: Compensation programs support and promote a performance based (merit) organizational culture.
- Transparency: Compensation programs are designed, managed and communicated in a manner that
 ensures the program is clearly understood by employees and the public while protecting individual
 personal information.
- Accountability: Compensation decisions are objective and based upon a clear and well documented business rationale that demonstrates the appropriate expenditure of public funds.

Benchmarking Methodology:

In determining the relevant labour markets for obtaining compensation data for executive and management employees, UNBC considers the following questions:

- From where do universities similar in scope and scale to UNBC recruit employees?
- What is the destination sector or employers for employees that leave UNBC?

Primary benchmarking comparators for management employees include the following:

- Other comparable academic institutions of similar size and scope to UNBC;
- Other BC and Canadian Public sector organizations with key comparability elements to UNBC;
- The BC Public Service for corporate service roles within the organization;
- Private sector comparators in cases of high demand positions only.

When benchmarking for positions, appropriate weighting is established based on current human resource practise guidelines.

President and Executive Compensation Factors:

The compensation package for the President has been capped as prescribed by the Public Sector Employers' Council (PSEC) and compensation levels for other Senior Executives will be frozen in compliance with 2012 PSEC Compensation Freeze mandate, until such time as the mandate has concluded.

When setting salary levels for Senior Executives, the Board of Governors considers the following factors; 1) compensation of current and/or recent senior staff, 2) recommended ranges provided by PSEC, 3) the designates' current compensation, 4) market survey information from other comparable universities and, 5) other factors that the Board deems to be relevant to the specific position.

Salary increases for the President and Senior Academic Executives were applied to the professional component of their salaries and in a manner consistent with the negotiated Faculty Association agreement. Salary increases for non-Academic Senior Executives shall only be applied where approved by PSEC and will generally be consistent with any economic increase provided to the Senior Management Group. At this time, no increases have been awarded as per the 2012 Compensation Freeze.

Benefit and pension plans are consistent with the employee group to which the Executive is most closely affiliated (i.e. Faculty Association or Senior Management Group). A non-registered supplemental pension arrangement is offered to the Senior Executives where total pension contributions exceed the contribution limit. The supplemental contribution amount is that which the employer would be required to contribute to the UNBC Pension Plan if there wasn't a maximum limit imposed by the Income Tax Act.

New Policies, Actions or Decisions:

The Executive Compensation Policy was last updated in June 2009. The purpose was to formalize a policy framework and process for the annual performance review of the Senior Executive Officers and for reporting changes in executive compensation consistent with the requirements of PSEC. The University is in compliance with the 2012 September PSEC directive regarding Executive and Management Compensation Freeze. The updates to this document seek to bring UNBC's policy in line with current PSEC and government direction.

Leaves:

Vacation leaves are set in each Executive's appointment letter, the starting point is five weeks, with the President's ability to recommend increases periodically. This partially acknowledges the time commitment beyond a normal work week of the President and Senior Executives, supports a balanced lifestyle, and is competitive in comparison to other academic organizations.

The President is provided a one year research leave following five years of service. The President's salary during the leave would be equal to the highest salary being paid to a full professor with tenure at the University at the time. For Senior Academic Executives, academic leaves are provided following five years of service. This leave is an acknowledgement that for the period they are in these roles, these academic leaders have forfeited their accrual toward sabbatical leaves that would have occurred as members of the Faculty Association. Senior Academic Executives leaves are at their professional salary level only.



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Summary Compensation Table at 2022

						Previous Two Years Tota Total Compensation		
Name and Position	Salary	Holdback/Bonus/ Incentive Plan Compensation	Benefits	Pension	All Other Compensation (expanded below)	2021/2022 Total Compensation	2020/2021	2019/2020
Geoff Payne, Interim President and Vice-Chancellor	\$ 283,586	-	\$ 8,992	\$ 30,358	\$ 38,542	\$ 361,478	\$ 316,985	\$ 294,857
Mark Dale, Provost	\$ 168,413	-	\$ 8,022	\$ 20,663	\$ 50,000	\$ 247,098	\$ 232,224	
Henry Harder, Vice President Indigenous Initiatives	\$ 150,577	-	\$ 8,643	-	\$ 9,302	\$ 168,522		
Kathy Lewis, Acting Vice President Research	\$ 182,874	-	\$ 12,746	\$ 18,882	\$ 18,476	\$ 232,978	\$ 203,132	\$ 150,739
Daniel Ryan, Provost & Vice-President Academic	\$ 71,113	-	\$ 8,472	\$ 20,831	\$ 149,733	\$ 250,149	\$ 252,828	\$ 257,961
Rahim Somani, Vice President - Finance & Administration	\$ 198,761	-	\$ 8,647	\$ 18,623	\$ 6,023	\$ 232,054	\$ 100,486	
Paul John Winwood, Vice Provost Medicine	\$ 220,846	-	\$ 8,710	\$ 20,832	-	\$ 250,388	\$ 249,876	\$ 259,204

Summary Other Compensation Table at 2022

Name and Position	All Other Compensation	Severance	Vacation Payout	Paid Leave	Vehicle / Transportation Allowance	Perquisites / Other Allowances	Other
Geoff Payne, Interim President and Vice-Chancellor	\$ 38,542	-	\$ 32,519	-	\$ 6,023	-	-
Mark Dale, Provost	\$ 50,000	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 50,000
Henry Harder, Vice President Indigenous Initiatives	\$ 9,302	-	\$ 3,104	-	-	-	\$ 6,198
Kathy Lewis, Acting Vice President Research	\$ 18,476	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 18,476
Daniel Ryan, Provost & Vice-President Academic	\$ 149,733	-	-	\$ 149,733	-	-	-
Rahim Somani, Vice President - Finance & Administration	\$ 6,023	-	-	-	\$ 6,023	-	-
Paul John Winwood, Vice Provost Medicine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes

Geoff Payne, Interim President and Vice-Chancellor	General Note: This position met criteria for inclusion in the 2020/21 executive compensation freeze, which came into effect on August 31, 2020. As a result, this individual was ineligible to receive a performance-based increase for the 2020/21 performance year The base salary earned during this reporting period has increased as this is the first complete reporting period at his current salary level. Actual Base Salary includes a market differential of \$54,752
Mark Dale, Provost	General Note: This position met criteria for inclusion in the 2020/21 executive compensation freeze, which came into effect on August 31, 2020. As a result, this individual was ineligible to receive a performance-based increase for the 2020/21 performance year The 2020/2021 reporting period included a significant amount of paid leave, therefore the base salary this year is higher compared to the 2021/2022 reporting period. Actual Base Salary includes a market differential of \$25,096 Other Note: Other compensation includes an administrative stipend (\$50,000)
Henry Harder, Vice President Indigenous Initiatives	General Note: This position met criteria for inclusion in the 2020/21 executive compensation freeze, which came into effect on August 31, 2020. As a result, this individual was ineligible to receive a performance-based increase for the 2020/21 performance year Not included in the Salary total, but applicable statutory benefits are included in the Statutory and Health Benefits total. Other Note: Other is retroactive pay for Faculty position for period previous to current appointment.
Kathy Lewis, Acting Vice President Research	General Note: This position met criteria for inclusion in the 2020/21 executive compensation freeze, which came into effect on August 31, 2020. As a result, this individual was ineligible to receive a performance-based increase for the 2020/21 performance year Not included in the Salary total, but applicable statutory benefits are included in the Statutory and Health Benefits total and applicable pension in the Pension Contributions total. Other Note: Other is retroactive pay for Faculty position for period previous to current appointment.
Daniel Ryan, Provost & Vice-President Academic	General Note: This position met criteria for inclusion in the 2020/21 executive compensation freeze, which came into effect on August 31, 2020. As a result, this individual was ineligible to receive a performance-based increase for the 2020/21 performance year Paid Administrative Leave October 7, 2020 to April 6, 2022 reported under Paid Leave, not included in Salary Actual Base Salary includes a market differential of \$71,113
Rahim Somani, Vice President - Finance & Administration	General Note: This position met criteria for inclusion in the 2020/21 executive compensation freeze, which came into effect on August 31, 2020. As a result, this individual was ineligible to receive a performance-based increase for the 2020/21 performance year As last period represented a partial reporting year for this executive, the total compensation earned this year is higher to reflect the first full reporting period.
Paul John Winwood, Vice Provost Medicine	General Note: This position met criteria for inclusion in the 2020/21 executive compensation freeze, which came into effect on August 31, 2020. As a result, this individual was ineligible to receive a performance-based increase for the 2020/21 performance year